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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Chen et al.

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EXAMINER: E. Johnson

FOR: CATALYST FOR OXACYLATION AND USE OF SAME

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Sir:

AMENDMENT

Applicants are in receipt of the Office Action dated July 11, 2003 and request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.